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REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5-6, 8-9, 11-12, 14-15, 17-19, 22-25 and 27 are pending in this application.

In the Office Action dated December 27, 2007, the Examiner advised that the application contains claims directed to three distinct inventions that are not so linked as to form a general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 as follows:

- Group I (claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14 and 15) drawn to a first system for in vivo detection of *H. pylori*, as recited in claim 1;
- Group II (claims 17-19) drawn to a first system for in vivo detection of H. pylori, as recited in claim 1; and
- Group III (claims 22-25 and 27) drawn to a method of in vivo detection of H. pylori.

The Examiner requires that a single invention be elected for the claims to be restricted thereto.

In response, Applicants elect to prosecute Group III, claims 22-25 and 27. Applicant has also herein canceled claims 1, 3, 5-6, 8-9, 11-12, 14-15 and 17-19 that are directed to the non-elected inventions of Groups I and II. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional or continuation applications for the canceled subject matter of these claims.

In addition, in order to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention, Applicants have herein amended claim 1, canceled claim 27 and added new claims 30-36.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments as to this response, the undersigned may be contacted at the address and telephone number below.

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